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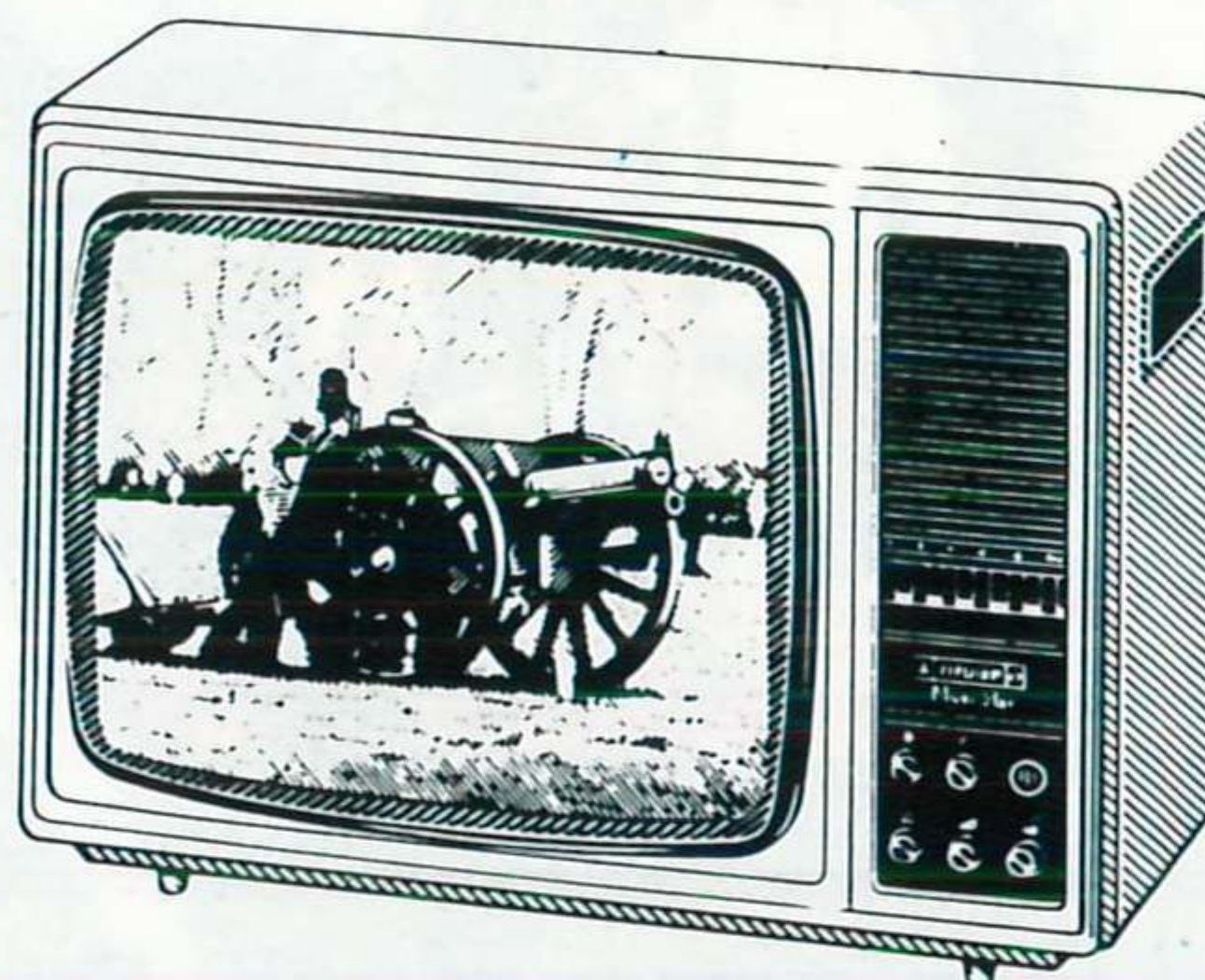
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Stan Anderson writes

This afternoon we welcome to Burnden Park the players, officials and supporters of West Ham United, runaway leaders of the Second Division and finalists in the Football League Cup.

I think you'll agree that I am not being premature in congratulating John Lyall and his players for their achievements this season — after all the League programme has still some way to go and the Hammers still have their Cup Final replay to face against Liverpool next Wednesday.

But however the season goes for them from now on, they deserve every credit.

They were, of course, red hot favourites to win promotion this season, after missing out last season when their brilliant FA Cup success possibly caused them to run out of steam in the League. And they have certainly lived up to all expectations. They've been in a class of their own.

When you look at the form they have shown this season, both in domestic competitions and in Europe, where they fell at the quarter-final stage of the Cup Winners Cup, you can see they have been masquerading in the Second Division. They're a First Division outfit in everything but name.

Apart from their form in League and Cup, a barometer of their success is the fact that eight of their players were in the PFA Second Division team of the year announced recently.

But let's not forget that it is success that has been achieved over three seasons. They have earned their glory.

Can I take this opportunity to welcome George Mulhall back to Burnden Park. George, as you will know, has joined the club for his second spell, taking the title of assistant manager.

It is a fact that we needed somebody to take a fresh look at the situation we are in at present, and who better than George who knows a number of our players very well indeed.

This will be a difficult period for George, since we have only seven matches left this season, including today's, and many people will obviously be looking for an instant remedy for our problems.

The main thing is that George is here for a lot longer than just the end of this season and it is hoped he will bring the club success in the future.

George will be in full charge of coaching and will have a certain amount of responsibility when it comes to team selection — after all he will be working with the players.

By today, he will have had just over a week with the lads and will have some idea of the tasks ahead of him. It is a situation which can only improve as time goes on, but I don't want anyone thinking it was an easy move for George to come back. The important thing is that he wanted to return to Bolton.

His arrival on the scene means we now have four staff members and our immediate objective now is to see if we can all band together to keep Bolton Wanderers in Division Two.

Our Visits



Back Row (left to right): Alvin Martin, Dale Banton, Phil Parkes, Bobby Ferguson, Nicky Morgan, Billy Lansdowne, Inset: Paul Goddard. Centre Row: Paul Brush, Mark Smith, Ray Stewart, Billy Bonds, Trevor Brooking, David Cross, George Cowie. Front Row: Jimmy Neighbour, Paul Allen, Stuart Pearson, Geoff Pike, Frank Lampard, Alan Devonshire, Pat Holland.

HAMMERS PREPARE FOR RETURN TO DIV. I

by Tony Pullein

Only a catastrophic disaster, of a magnitude never known before in English football, can now prevent West Ham returning to the First Division this year. They have led the way for most of the season and have now opened up such a long lead that no one looks capable of catching them.

Before they do return to their place among the elite, however, they have one piece of unfinished business to attend to. If they can beat Liverpool in next week's League Cup final replay they will become the only club ever to win both the F.A. Cup and the League Cup as a Second Division club.

Last season they shook Arsenal by beating them 1-0 in the F.A. Cup final. It was the third time they had lifted that trophy.

Though they were League Cup finalists in 1966, the Hammers have yet to win it. Two weeks ago they came back from the dead at Wembley to draw 1-1 with Liverpool with a Ray Stewart penalty in the final minute of extra-time, thus

earning a replay.

Only three minutes earlier they had conceded a goal all Hammers' fans claimed was offside. But the goal counted and that would have been sufficient to crucify most teams of lesser character.

Cup success is all very exciting, of course. It is also very temporary. And, since losing their First Division place in 1978, it has always been the club's chief ambition to get back again.

When West Ham upset all the odds by defeating Arsenal in the F.A. Cup final in May, manager John Lyall realised that he would have to keep his players' feet firmly on the ground. Previous Second Division F.A. Cup winners, Sunderland (1973) and Southampton (1976), were both outstanding teams. But, after the euphoria of Wembley, their players failed to raise their game when playing some of the Second Division's more humble teams the next season.

The Hammers made a glorious parade with the F.A. Cup

HAMMERS



prior to their opening match of this season, then crashed 1-2 at home to Luton. It looked, then, as if the Hammers were about to fall into the same trap.

Yet, in a sense, that result could have been a blessing. No West Ham player would be foolish enough to think the going would be easy after that.

Consequently, the Hammers then went into an unbeaten run of 15 League matches and they also made splendid progress in both the League Cup and the European Cup-Winners' cup, reaching the final of the first and the quarter-final of the latter.

The Hammers cornered a little bit of European soccer history in October when their second-leg clash with Castilla was played before the smallest crowd ever to see a European tie — no one paid for admission because the Upton Park tie was ordered to be played behind locked doors, following crowd disturbances at the first game in Spain.

Apart from the unfortunate Paul Allen and Stuart Pearson, neither of whom has scarcely kicked a ball in top-class football since last season's F.A. Cup final, West Ham have steered clear of serious injuries, though Trevor Brooking was absent for a short while.

So Mr Lyall has been able to pick a settled team.

An injury to Pat Holland enabled Jimmy Neighbour to return in midfield shortly before the Wembley game and he has been partnering Trevor Brooking, Alan Devonshire and Geoff Pike in the midfield whilst Ray Stewart, Billy Bonds, Alvin Martin and Frank Lampard fill the back four positions in front of Phil Parkes.

Since losing their place in the First Division, West Ham have finished fifth in 1978/79 and seventh last season, missing promotion by five and six points respectively.

They will not miss out this time. In spite of the fact that they faced that tough Wembley clash with Liverpool, West Ham lost none of their impact in the Second Division. They picked up 17 of the 18 points at stake in the nine matches that preceded Wembley, showing a class and style that suggests not only that they will certainly return to the First Division, but also that they have the quality to become a big success when they get there.

PHIL PARKES (Goalkeeper). Phil won full and under-23 caps for England when he was a Q.P.R. player. He joined Rangers from Walsall in 1970 and hardly missed a match in nine years at The Bush. When he joined West Ham for £565,000 in 1979 he became the World's costliest goalkeeper.

RAY STEWART (Defender). To Ray went the nerve-racking job of converting that last minute penalty against Liverpool that gave the Hammers a League Cup final replay. Ray made his Scottish League bow for Dundee United in 1977 and was transferred to the Hammers for £400,000 last season. He is a Scottish under-21, youth and schoolboy international.

BILLY BONDS (Defender). Battling Billy recently celebrated his 500th League appearance for the Hammers. A former England under-23 international, Billy began his League career with Charlton in 1964/65 and joined the Hammers for £50,000 in 1967.

ALVIN MARTIN (Defender). Alvin has been a West Ham professional since July 1976. He made his League debut during the 1977/78 campaign and has been a regular member of the Hammers' back four for the past two years. He was recently picked for the England "B" squad.

FRANK LAMPARD (Defender). Frank earned England youth honours during his early days at Upton Park and made his first appearance in their League team in 1967/68. Earlier this year he earned his second full England cap.

PAUL BRUSH (Defender). Paul developed in the junior teams and came through for his first League appearance in 1977/78. He was ever-present the following season and held the left-back position for lengthy periods until losing his place this season.

ALAN DEVONSHIRE (Midfield). West Ham signed Alan from Southall for a mere £5,000 in 1976 and put him straight into their senior side. He has two full England caps and is also an England "B" international.

TREVOR BROOKING (Midfield). Trevor, who scored the Hammers' F.A. Cup winning goal against Arsenal last season, won his 41st England cap against Switzerland. A former England youth and under-23 international, he has been a member of West Ham's senior team since his debut in 1967.

JIMMY NEIGHBOUR (Midfield). Jimmy spent his early years with Tottenham, making well over 100 League appearances. Norwich signed him for £75,000 in 1976 and he returned to London last season when the Hammers paid £140,000 for him.

GEOFF PIKE (Midfield). Geoff served his apprenticeship at Upton Park and it was in 1975/76 when he first eased into the club's first-team. He celebrated his 100th League appearance for the club this season.

DAVID BARNES (Midfield). David is a youngster who was given his first chance in the Hammers' League eleven against Watford in September. He later appeared again as substitute but it may be a few more months before he is seen more regularly in the side.

PAT HOLLAND (Midfield). Pat served his apprenticeship with West Ham and made his League bow in 1969. During the 1970/71 season he joined Bournemouth on loan but he has long since established himself as an important figure in West Ham's midfield.

PAUL ALLEN (Forward). Paul has suffered severely from injuries since starring in last season's F.A. Cup final and he has only been included in the side on a few occasions this term. It was last season that he was first introduced to the West Ham side.

DAVID CROSS (Forward). David is one of the country's leading scorers, with 29 goals. Last season he topped the Hammers' list with 21. He began his career with Rochdale, then served Norwich, Coventry and West Bromwich prior to his £180,000 move to West Ham in 1977.

PAUL GODDARD (Forward). Paul is carrying on where he left off last season, when he scored 16 goals for Q.P.R. He moved on to West Ham during the summer for £800,000 and has maintained a fine scoring rate throughout the season so far. He has netted 17 times.

STUART PEARSON (Forward). It was a dream return for Stuart when he was called on as substitute at Wembley a fortnight ago. It was only his second first-team game this season following a series of injuries. The former England forward who joined Manchester United from Hull for £200,000 in 1974 topped United's scoring list on three occasions and played in two F.A. Cup finals for them. West Ham signed him for £220,000 in 1979 and he was a member of their F.A. Cup winning team last season.

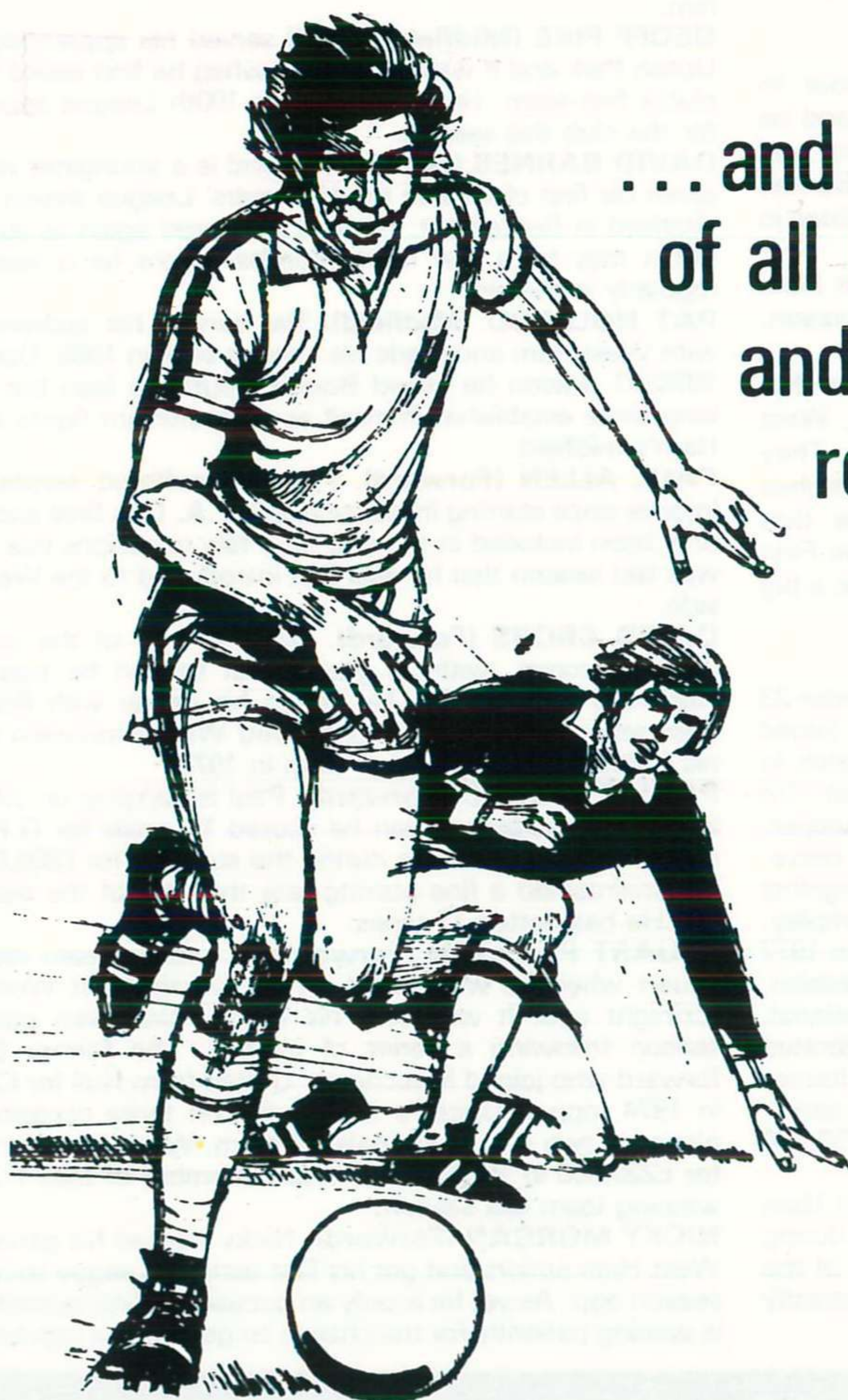
NICKY MORGAN (Forward). Nicky learned his game in the West Ham juniors and got his first taste of League soccer two seasons ago. As yet he is only an occasional first-teamer but he is waiting patiently for the chance to get a more regular game.

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Club Scene

SUNDAYS

Fans are reminded that Tuesday is the deadline if they want to qualify for the biggest discounts on season tickets for next season. Season tickets for all sections of the ground increase in price from April 1 and will rise again in May and again in June.

You can qualify for huge discounts on tickets if you apply now and can also take advantage of the "deferred payment" scheme, details of which can be obtained at the Ticket Office.

And those fans wanting some indication of the club's plans for Sunday games next year can be assured that no more than four home games will be switched to Sundays.

There may be less depending on the views of other clubs and, of course, the views of the Football League, who have the ultimate sanction on these matters.

Wanderers will keep the fans informed of their detailed fixture plans as soon as decisions are taken. More information will be available on these matters as soon as the fixture lists are drawn up in the close season.

'B' TEAM

Fans need not be too concerned over the club's decision to scrap it's 'B' team which competes in the Second Division of the Lancashire League.

The move has been made for economy reasons and Stan Anderson sees it having little affect on the club's youth policy. Largely made up of apprentices and schoolboys, the 'B' team was re-introduced by the club this season, but Wanderers, in common with a number of other Lancashire clubs feel it is an unnecessary luxury.

Mr Anderson has given the assurance that regular friendly matches between other clubs will suitably fill the void left by the 'B' team.

DUTCH

Wanderers maintained the 100 per cent record against Dutch sides this season when they beat Premier League team Sparta of Rotterdam 2-1 in an entertaining friendly here at Burnden.

It was an identical result to the one Wanderers achieved in Rotterdam last August and added to the "double" over Haarlem, represents quite an achievement for us.

The match gave the 1,000 or so fans who turned up a chance to assess the differences in the style of play between the Dutch and our own players and there was certainly no shortage of skill. Wanderers had the edge, though, and goals from Neil Whatmore and Dusan Nikolic gave the team a timely boost.

FIXTURES

The next fixture here at Burnden Park is on Tuesday next when Wanderers Reserves play their re-arranged fixture against the Central League leaders Liverpool (kick off 7pm). The match was postponed because the pitch was unfit earlier this month.

And the reserve game against Nottingham Forest which has been postponed twice, has been arranged for Monday, April 6 at The City Ground.

"JUNIOR WHITES" NEWS

Our March meeting the other week was another huge success, with all the press and radio men who cover Bolton games, and five of the players in attendance.

Each of the personalities there went out of their way to involve themselves with all present, and I would like to give everyone a big thank you for helping to make the "Junior Whites" club so successful. Two other members of staff who really involve themselves at these meetings are Alan Fullelove and Kevan Williams who are always pleased to receive your requests for records to be played here at Burnden Park.

Today's Mascot is Jason Dauncey who also played in one of our 6-a-side teams who had a great day out at Manchester City recently.

Our next meeting is Monday 13th April at 6.30, so why not book a date.

Enjoy your football.

Roy Cavanagh

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The ghosts in the stand

FIRE THE REFEREE ASSESSORS — that band of ghost like figures who sit in judgement on the poor referee as he performs his duty on the field.

That is the almost unanimous feeling of some of the games top executives who believe quite strongly that the Big Brother image, performs a harmful and negative function.

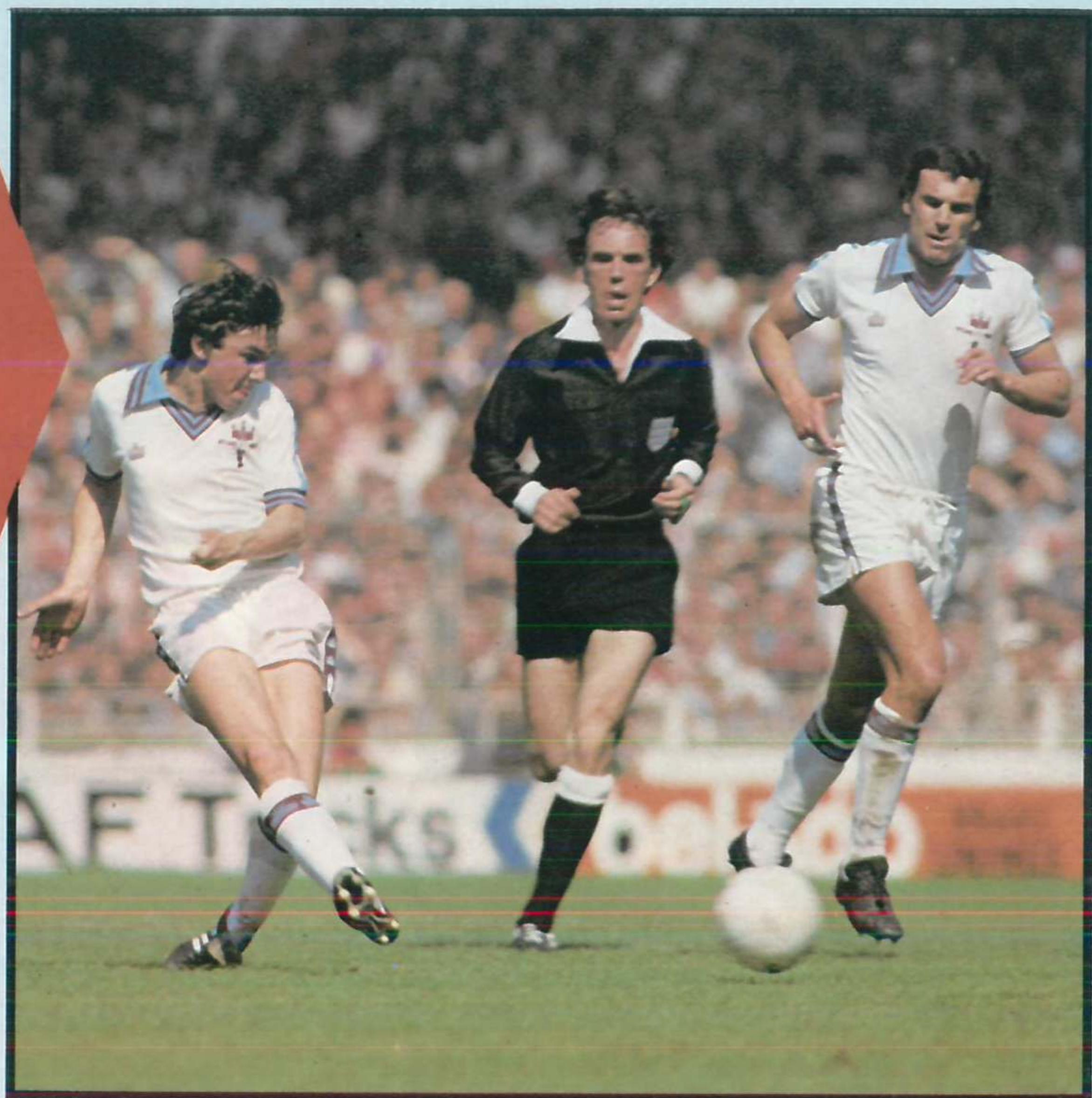
The standard of refereeing has been openly criticised in recent years but many think that the anonymous overseer is partly to blame, because the assessors report to the Football League could well decide a referee's future in the competition.

Consequently the unwritten rule for referees — common sense — is thrown out of the window as many seek purely to satisfy the assessor. Undoubtedly many cautions and sometimes sendings off, arise from the referee's eagerness to please the assessor, rather than from the demands of the given circumstances on the field.

But perhaps the craziest thing about all this is the fact that some assessors have never even been Football League referees' and therefore do not seem to have the qualifications or the experience to sit in judgement on the man out there.

It is certainly true that very few referee's have respect for these men and who can blame them.

One man who fell foul of the spies in the stand is former top referee Reg Robinson, who after 22 years officiating, seven of them



on the Football League, suddenly found his feet pulled from under him when the League informed him at the end of last season that he was no longer required.

Robinson was the victim, for not pleasing the assessors and he claims that referee's have lost their discretionary powers because of that faceless figure with notebook and pencil.

"A referee's performance is governed directly by the personality of the assessor," claims Robinson who explains, "If he is a reasonable man then you can be reasonably certain that there will be few, if any bookings or sendings off."

It is not surprising that club officials view this situation with alarm. The loss through suspension of a key player can be the difference between winning and losing titles, staying up, or going down. And of course extending that further . . . can affect the security of the managers job.

Another point that has remained an item of contention is the Leagues' point blank refusal to allow clubs the opportunity to see an assessor's report.

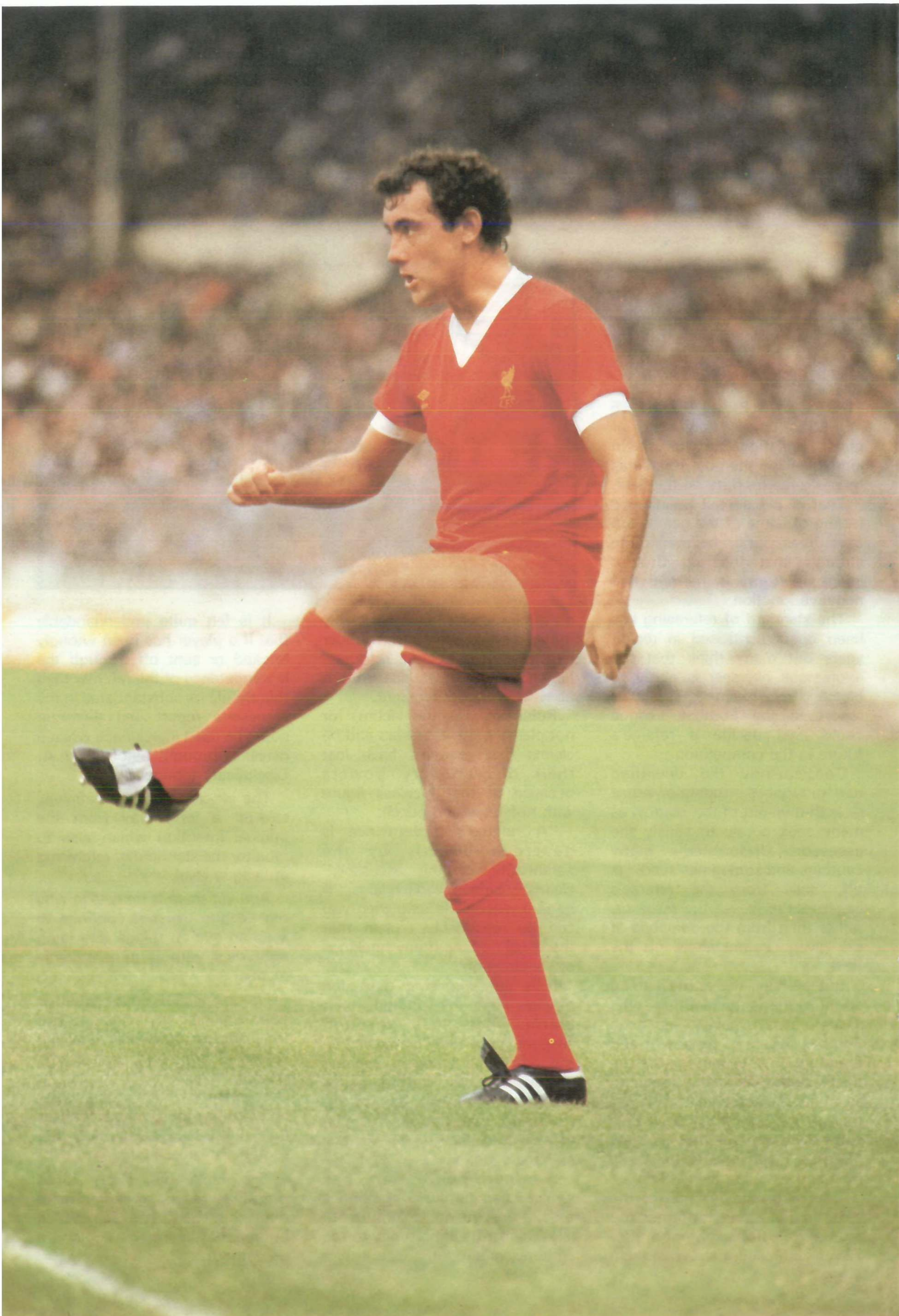
It is felt quite understandably that if a player has been wrongly booked or sent off through the incompetence of the referee, then this should be substantiated in the assessor's report and therefore could be used in evidence when a player is brought before an F.A. Disciplinary tribunal.

The whole thing has definitely strayed a long way from the original intention which was to monitor the standard of refereeing at League level.

And yet there is no reason why the League can not continue to keep an eye on things, providing they deal with it in a sensible manner.

For instance I doubt whether there would be any objections to a small group of suitably qualified assessors travelling around the country to make spot checks. At least referees would be able to get on with their jobs without the fear that they are always under the scrutiny of officialdom.

The facts are clear, those official assessors are feared more than the KGB. It is an added burden that the referee could well do without.



RAY KENNEDY

A down to earth sort of a guy

There is no mistaking the 13 stone frame of RAY KENNEDY . . . a former striker with Arsenal, who has been successfully converted into an international midfield player by Liverpool.

At 29, this amiable young man has won everything it is possible to win, with the exception of a Football League Cup winners medal, "and I would dearly love to win that," he says.

Although he is an integral cog in the most successful team in Europe, Ray does not let the intenseness of a Liverpool footballing occasion run away with him. He still loves the game and relishes that inner glow of satisfaction one feels after a good performance.

"If you don't enjoy it then you are not doing it right," declares the man who prior to the commencement of this season had scored 94 goals in the League. "If you are enjoying the game then you are working well, getting involved, doing the runs. They make us enjoy it at Liverpool . . . They don't say YOU HAVE TO ENJOY IT . . . but we do enjoy playing and that is the basis of the clubs secret for success."

Oh! That it should be as easy as that. Of course there is far more to it, although the basic formula at Anfield is to keep things as simple as possible.

Kennedy himself throws some light on their principles when he explains: "I think it boils down to a system. All the players know each others game inside out and the playing formation we adopt fits the players involved like a glove.

"We play with two forwards up front, Kenny Dalglish and David Johnson, no wingers, four in midfield with two of

them pushing up front to support the front men.

"A lot of teams fall into the trap that we are trying to kill the game in midfield, but we don't. We always go forward, it is always the aim at Liverpool to win matches. I think with us lining up the way we do, other sides are sometimes lulled into a false sense of security. They assume that the battle will be won in midfield, because that is one of our strongest departments. But our attack is pretty deadly as well because we get those extra men forward so quickly.

"Either Sammy Lee, Terry McDermott or myself push up to make extra attackers. Graeme Souness rarely hits the front as he is the anchor man and he stays there.

"So our task is made that much easier by the fact that other teams think we are basically defensive and that we launch most of our attacks from the middle of the field. This occupies a lot of their players in the middle, leaving the back vulnerable and that is when we catch them out."

Ray has earned 17 full England caps and scored three goals to boot, "It is just a shame I am not in the side as often as I would like to be, but I am quite happy to get into the squad," he divulges.

"Playing for your club comes naturally, it is an everyday thing, but playing in a representative side entails playing with people you are not used to and adapting to different systems.

"Mr. Greenwood has always tried to get a club type spirit in the England camp because he understands the problems. He was definitely on the right lines

but it is still very difficult at that level of the game.

"I remember early in his international managerial career, Mr. Greenwood picked seven Liverpool players for the England team in an effort to short cut the 'team' building plan. And although he set the ball rolling, it did not work on the day, on account of the fact that there were also another four players in the side who found it difficult to fit into our pattern of play. And so the balance was destroyed and we all struggled in the end.

"The Liverpool lads took a lot of stick in the press over that performance which seemed a bit silly, but then that is the way things work in this game."

Apart from that Football League Cup Final winners medal, Ray also has one important ambition to accomplish:

"Yes at international level I want to play in the World Cup finals. It's not too late, I will be only 31, which is not too old. If you keep battling on you never know what might transpire, football is certainly a funny game. It is a great game, but there are always some surprises along the road.

"It's up to me to keep at the top and to continue to enjoy my football. I think this really stems from Liverpool. They push us forward and because of our achievements over recent years we have probably developed a certain confidence that helps carry us through.

"But really at Liverpool we are all down to earth lads. The club wouldn't have it any other way. If any of us thought we were a bit special or too good then it would soon be knocked out of us."

Leslie Vernon continues his series on the men who could influence the World Cup Finals and takes a look at

KARL-HEINZ RUMMENIGGE

The European Footballer of the Year

It was a racing certainty that Karl-Heinz Rummenigge would be elected European Footballer of the Year for 1980. This Bayern Munich forward and automatic selection for W. Germany's national team has had a fabulous year, starring in the European Championship Finals, and being instrumental in his club's championship triumph. Not only was he their top-scorer, but his leadership and consistently high standard of play inspired the others.

Rummenigge's main assets are speed, immaculate ball-control, a goal-sense, vision and an ability to beat defenders. He is a strongly built footballer, and when he is on the ball, he is forceful and aggressive.

Rummenigge started his career as an orthodox winger with a small club, Borussia Lippstadt. He was born on September 25th 1955, and before he was 20, he joined Bayern for the princely fee of £4,500.

Those were the days of Bayern's reign in the European Cup, and West Germany had just won the World Cup. So the young winger found himself in the same dressing room as childhood idols, Franz Beckenbauer, Gerd Muller and Sepp Maier.

These players, particularly Maier, went out of their way to make him feel part of the set-up, but the beginning wasn't easy. Klaus Wunder, a highly-rated forward who had joined Bayern at the same time, told him: "I think you might have done better accepting an offer from a lesser club, rather than coming here". But it was Wunder who never really "made it" in Munich. Rummenigge, at least, can boast that he played in one of the three victorious European Cup Finals — against St. Etienne at Glasgow.

FORESIGHT

He wasn't outstanding, but it was obvious to coach Dettmar Cramer, that Rummenigge was a better proposition on the right flank of the attack than either Torstensson or Wunder.

He worked very hard in training to improve his game, and the coach gave him this unusual advice: "When you're driving your car or out for a walk, try to take in everything going on around you, so that ultimately, you become aware of much more without having to make the effort. You'll find that will help you become aware of situations and possibilities in a game".

Karl made his full international debut against Wales in October 1976 in Cardiff, a match won by West Germany 2-0.

He scored his first goal in the next game against Italy, when the Germans won 2-1 in West Berlin. Rummenigge had an outstanding game, and became a fixture in the national side despite the fact that he had a serious rival for the spot in Rudiger Abramczik.

In the meantime, Cramer left Bayern, and the club went through a sticky patch when they were languishing in a mid-table position. The new coach, the Hungarian Gyula Lorant, was given the task of rebuilding the side, and he decided to give Rummenigge a free role. He was allowed to roam to his heart's delight, with no defensive duties, and he took full advantage of this freedom.

Rummenigge says: "I've never met a coach who can instill so much confidence in a player. Thanks to Lorant I've become still faster and stronger".

GOALS!

Despite being sent-off in a League game against local rivals 1860 Munich, "Kalle" as Rummenigge was nicknamed, was selected to travel with The National Side to the World Cup Finals in Argentina. A not altogether happy venture for the Germans, but the Bayern ace was a success, and he scored two tremendous goals against Mexico.

He said: "Before the World Cup, my wife Martina asked me once, 'Why don't you score many goals?' I'd always thought of myself as good at dribbling, but too hasty in front of goal. Then after getting those goals against Mexico, I realised: You can do it — and in the World Cup where it matters! It was like the first time I played against Berti Vogts in the League. I played really well, and I understood — Vogts is only a full-back, no Superman."

These experiences were beneficial for Rummenigge, and now he is a player bursting with confidence, who is able to score at least 20 goals per season.

There are outside pressures which might jeopardize his glittering career. But he is not worried: "I won't let that happen to me. In my years at Bayern I've seen and learned too much from great players such as Beckenbauer to ever let that happen to me".

There is no doubt about it — "Kalle" Rummenigge will be one of the outstanding stars of the 1982 World Cup!

Karl-Heinz Rummenigge — Europe's Footballer of the Year



LATIN — REPORT

Corruption and violence is by no means limited to European football. From Latin America where the heart has always ruled the head, comes stories of bribery and a hi-jacking.

Two Spanish referees who have just spent two months refereeing in Colombia have made very serious accusations about the game in that country, which they claim is corrupted by club managers who are in the pay of drug Mafia's.

In press reports, the Spaniards allege that referees go to matches armed and that besides the improbity of club officials, they also have to face violent crowds who are not averse to disrupting play.

One common ploy is for the spectators to throw several balls onto the pitch when and if their teams goal mouth is threatened by the opposing side.

The two referees further disclosed that they had received death threats from team managers and fans and had been forced into hiding to avoid intimidation from people trying to bribe them.

These accusations are all the more serious, as Colombia have been chosen as the venue for the 1986 World Cup Finals. Amidst fears that if such charges can be proved, they might lose this prestigious event, top football officials, players and even sports reporters have claimed that the Spaniards stories are exaggerated, and they have called for a Government enquiry.

Another serious charge has been made in Bolivia, where the State airline has protested strongly about the hi-jacking of one of its airliners.

No the culprits were not a bunch of desperado gun totting thugs but a schoolboy football team.

The airline claims that the boys and their officials stormed the cockpit of the airliner demanding that the pilot overfly a scheduled stop in order that they could get back to their home town of Santa Cruz more quickly.

The school team were returning home after winning an international tournament in the United States and they wanted to get back for a welcoming party.

Despite protests from other passengers who wanted to disembark at the first scheduled stop, the pilot flew on and now the airline is in the process of suing the school, from which the team comes.

ARGENTINIAN FANS attending the Gold Cup tournament in Uruguay found themselves the target of Latin style hostility. They were persistently spat on in the streets of Montevideo, stoned and had their cars overturned.

FOLLOWING HIS TEAMS POOR SHOWING in that Gold Cup tournament in Uruguay, Dutch manager Jan Zwartkruis tended his resignation.

Embittered by scathing press criticism of the teams performances, his resignation led to speculation that Johan Cruyff, now 32, could be the man to salvage Holland's lost prestige and guide the side through to the finals of the World Cup.

There is a very real possibility that the Dutch might not even qualify for Spain, following defeats in their opening engagements in qualifying group 2.

Already Holland have lost 1-0 in Belgium and 2-1 in Dublin against the Republic of Ireland. Another defeat would almost certainly wreck all hopes of a third successive appearance in a World Cup Final.

You can't miss them, they will be here today, huddled around the goalmouths like brooding vultures ready to snap up any morsel or tit bit that comes their way.

They are the photographers, the men who capture for posterity all the agony and ecstasy of the big match, the men who watch football through a camera.

For many of them it is just another job, another assignment in a crowded diary, but for Monte Fresco — the chief sports photographer of the Daily Mirror — it is much more, it is the realisation of a dream.

"I get paid to do something I would pay to do," he says almost apologetically then adds with a big grin: "It's much better than working. I would hate to work for a living."

It is very difficult to get Monte to talk seriously, you see he is a personality in his own right, a fun loving comedian who has clicked his way into the hearts of the worlds greatest sporting personalities, behind a brand of boyish humour and charming patter that would do Paul Daniels credit.

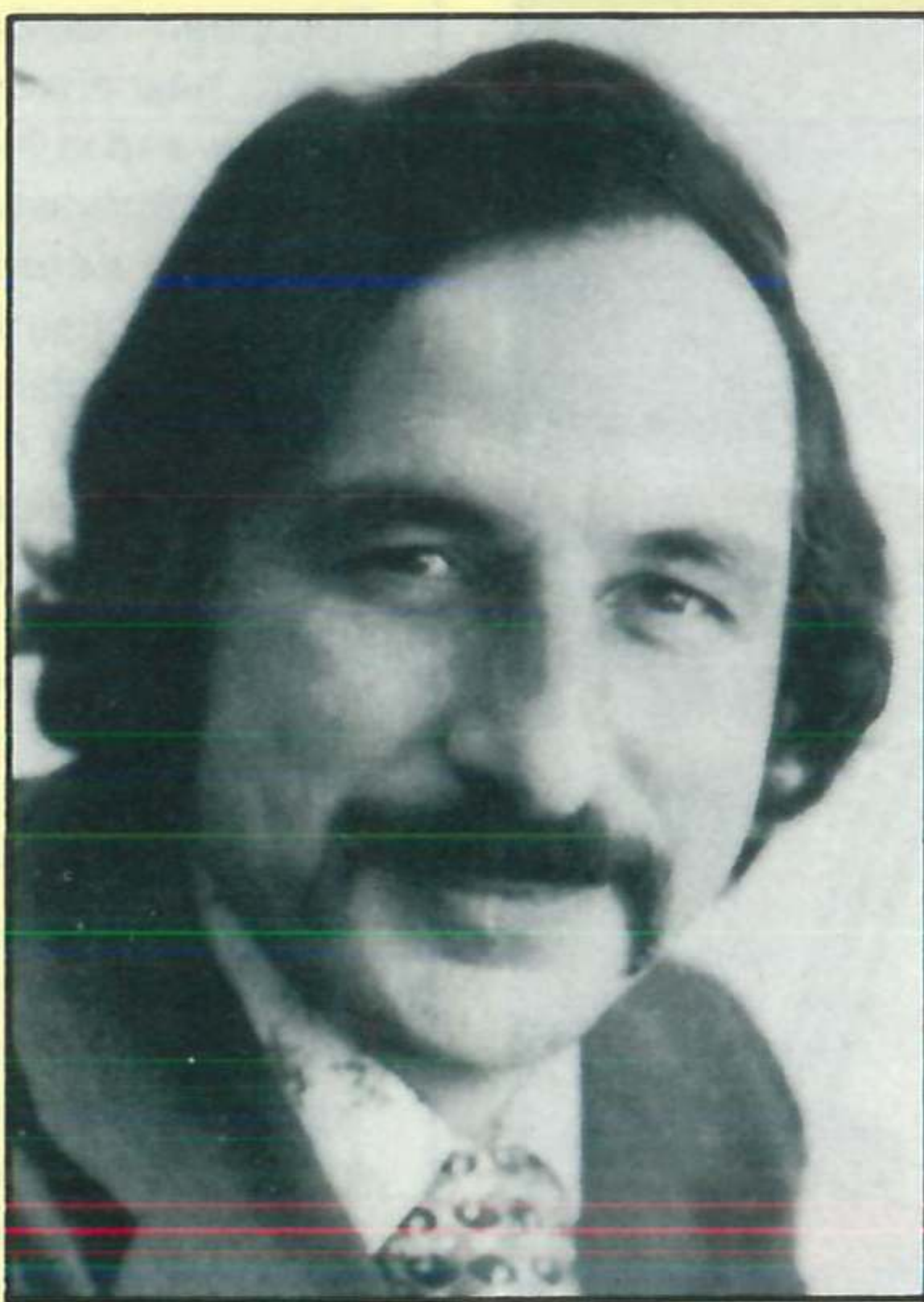
It is all part of the charisma that has helped him smash social and international barriers to develop relationships with most of his subjects. For to Monte the man in the frame be it Muhammad Ali or Kevin Keegan is not some immortal star beyond approach, but a mate, someone he talks to and treats like any of his friends in the local boozer.

"I like it when players ring me and ask can I do this or that for them. I do it because I like them and they do me favours for my silly pictures. I mean my silly pictures wouldn't do for the Times or Observer, but they bring a little touch of fun into the paper.

"The readers don't want to see a bloke just kicking a ball or standing still all the time, they like a little bit of fun. It involves the readers, they can associate with Kevin Keegan or Emlyn Hughes playing about because the readers are ordinary people like footballers. It's smashing."

Globetrotting to all the worlds major sporting events . . . which includes the Miss World contest, although for the life of me I can't

Fresco



IN FOCUS

think why, perhaps its a perk . . . is just part of a routine weeks work for Monte.

He claims that Brazil is the most interesting country he has had the fortune to visit and it was while he was there that one of his brain waves for an unusual picture got him into trouble.

TROUBLE

"I thought it would be a good idea to get a picture of the great train robber Ronald Biggs wearing



A typical Monte Fresco fun picture featuring Tommy Docherty and David McCreery.

an England shirt," explains the intrepid photographer.

"I borrowed an England shirt from one of the players and went off in search of Biggs. When I found him I got him to put it on and did a sequence of pictures on the Copa Cabana beach — which is a long way from Bethnal Green by the way — it was all good fun.

"But then Mr. Biggs would not give me the shirt back. He said, 'sorry mate, I've nicked it.' I said; 'you're joking, you've already got 30 years for nicking.' 'Well,' he said, 'you're not having it back,' and with that he walked off shirt and all."

That was one picture that cost Monte his shirt, but it made the front page back home.

Some don't even make the back page. "I went to Spurs one Saturday and got soaked to the skin and they did not use one picture," he says. "Ooh I was all hurt and upset."

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Joking aside, Monte is more of a fan than a working photographer. He explains: "I will be the biggest England supporter when they are playing. I will miss pictures because I am clapping and encouraging the players, I really get wrapped up in it. It is a sort of extension of Ron Greenwood's job. But I didn't realise I was doing it until the other cameramen told me.

"Abroad I get into terrible trouble from foreign goalkeepers. They don't like me shouting our lads on and they wag their fingers at me. One even threw the ball at me.

"There is no way you can get big headed in this game. Just like the players, we are only as good as our last picture. I get nervous before any big event. If you don't it means you are too used to it and not really interested, but this is only my 19th year on sport.

"I still have an ambition to see England win the World Cup again, that would be really smashing. And although most of my involvement is with football, boxing is my favourite sport and I would love to see a British heavyweight become undisputed World Champion . . . I only hope I can live long enough to see it."

OSVALDO ARDILES

TALKS FOOTBALL



Since Peter Taylor left us to join Orient, I have been asked many times if I think it is a pity that Spurs don't play with wingers.

My answer to that is, I don't think that wingers have been completely eliminated. Yes I do love to play with wingers in my side, but for me it is not a question of whether you have a number seven or a number eleven on the back of your shirt. For me it is a question of what the man inside that shirt is doing.

In other words it is just a matter of getting somebody out there on the flanks to open up the play and it does not matter whether he has got a five six or seven on his shirt, the number is immaterial as long as he pulls wide and stretches the opposition.

If you don't do that and open up the game then it is very difficult to create goalscoring chances for the men in the middle.

I agree it happens here at Tottenham sometimes, when Glenn Hoddle, Ricky Villa, myself and the two front men Garth Crooks and Steve Archibald are all bunched in the middle when at least one of us should be making a forward run to the wing. And that is no good at all, you can not create space that way.

So we do endeavour to make sure that this does not happen very often because what we want is for somebody to be continually making runs wide. It doesn't matter who breaks as long as somebody does.

The modern game is based on the principle that you can play in any position. It does not matter where you land up as long as your team mates are aware of their changing responsibilities as situations develop.

Ipswich Town for example don't usually play with an orthodox winger, yet Brazil or Mariner are always prepared to make runs to the left and the right, to occupy the spaces on the wings.

Of course I know the excitement a natural winger can create with jinking runs to the line and crosses into the goalmouth, but in today's football it is becoming more and more difficult to find those sort of players.

BENNO

Colin Benson's world of soccer

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SCOTTISH FOOTBALL is feeling the draught of the economic recession more than most. Gates are dwindling and there seems little that the sport, can do about it.

Although they suffer more than their fair share of crowd disorder and the game is still raped of its brighter talents who continue to follow the big money south, the root cause of the publics disenchantment is the predictability of the Scottish Leagues.

Since 1900 for instance, just two clubs — the old firm of Celtic and Rangers — have mopped up the Championship no fewer than 62 times between them, with Hibernian boasting the next best record with only four wins, Hearts and Aberdeen two wins apiece and Third Lanark, Motherwell and Kilmarnock one each.

Once again this season the pattern was firmly established by the half-way stage of the 36 match programme, with Aberdeen and Celtic breaking clear and Rangers in hot pursuit. While at the bottom Hearts and Kilmarnock seemed set to make way for Hibs and Raith Rovers who were dominating the First Division.

Again in the Second Division two clubs, Alloa and Queens Park, were already breaking clear, indicating once more an apparent lack of competition in depth. It will be interesting to note the final placings at the end of the season.

ALTHOUGH it is always nigh impossible to squeeze money out of the government for sport it is surprising how quickly politicians try to latch on to sporting achievements.

The Conservative MP for Newark, Richard Alexander tabled a motion in the House of Commons congratulating "Mr Dusty Hare of South Clifton, Newark, for his magnificent performance in the Wales-England rugby match, when he scored all of England's 19 points. . ."

Immediately Roy Hughes, Labour — Newport, Mon., tabled an amendment, pointing out "that this contribution was insufficient to secure an England victory. And further points out that the same number of points was scored for Wales by Keith Jarrett of Newport in the Wales v England match at Cardiff in 1967."

JUNIOR QUIZ TIME

1. When did Wolves last win the League Championship?
2. Who is the manager of Oxford United?
3. Can a defending side approach nearer than 10 yards from the ball at the taking of a free kick?
4. Who plays at Springfield Park?
5. Which club are nicknamed the 'Valiants'?
6. Which club did Jim Smith manage before Birmingham City?
7. True or False: Billy Wright played 70 consecutive games for England?
8. Who are the Alliance Premier League Champions?

9. With which club did Spurs fullback Don McAllister start his career?
10. Who was Wolves leading scorer last season?

FUN SPOT

* Name the club? — Formed in 1905 they were elected to Division 3(S) of the F.L. in 1931. The highlight of their history was reached in 1977 when they clinched the 3rd Division Championship. Were relegated the next season and dropped down to the 4th Div. last May. Their record League win was 9-2 over Rotherham Div 3(N) 1932. Became famous as a non-League side when they beat Wolves 1-0 in the F.A. Cup 3rd Rd. 1929. The club badge features a stags head.

* FUN SPOT — Mansfield Town

ANSWERS — 1. 1958-59, 2. Ian Greaves, 3. Yes. When an indirect free kick is awarded less than 10 yds from the goals. Defenders may stand on the goal line between the posts, 4. Wigan Athletic, 5. Port Vale, 6. Colchester, 7. True, 8. Altrincham, 9. Bolton, 10. John Richards 18.

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FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Division One	Home	Away
A. Villa	2-2	7-1
Blackburn	3-2	2-2
Bradford City	3-5	2-4
Bradford P.A.	3-2	2-1
Burnley	3-1	0-5
Chelsea	3-1	1-2
Everton	0-0	3-5
Liverpool	0-1	3-4
Manchester City	2-3	1-2
Manchester Utd.	3-0	1-4
Middlesbrough	4-0	0-0
Newcastle	0-0	2-1
Notts Co.	1-2	0-0
Oldham	2-0	3-5
Sheffield United	0-1	1-3
Sheffield Wednesday	0-3	0-7
Sunderland	1-1	3-4
Tottenham	4-2	2-4
W.B.A.	1-1	0-3

F.A. CUP

Rd. 1 — Notts Co. (h)	2-1
2 — Millwall (h)	0-0
(a)	2-2
(h)	4-1
3 — Burnley (h)	2-1
4 — Hull (h)	4-2
S.F. — Sheffield United (at Blackburn)	1-2

League goalscorers

Smith	28	Roberts	10
Lillicrop	7	Jones	6
Vizard	6	Hilton	4
Stokes	3	Buchan	1
Fay	1	Rowley	1
Wallace	1		

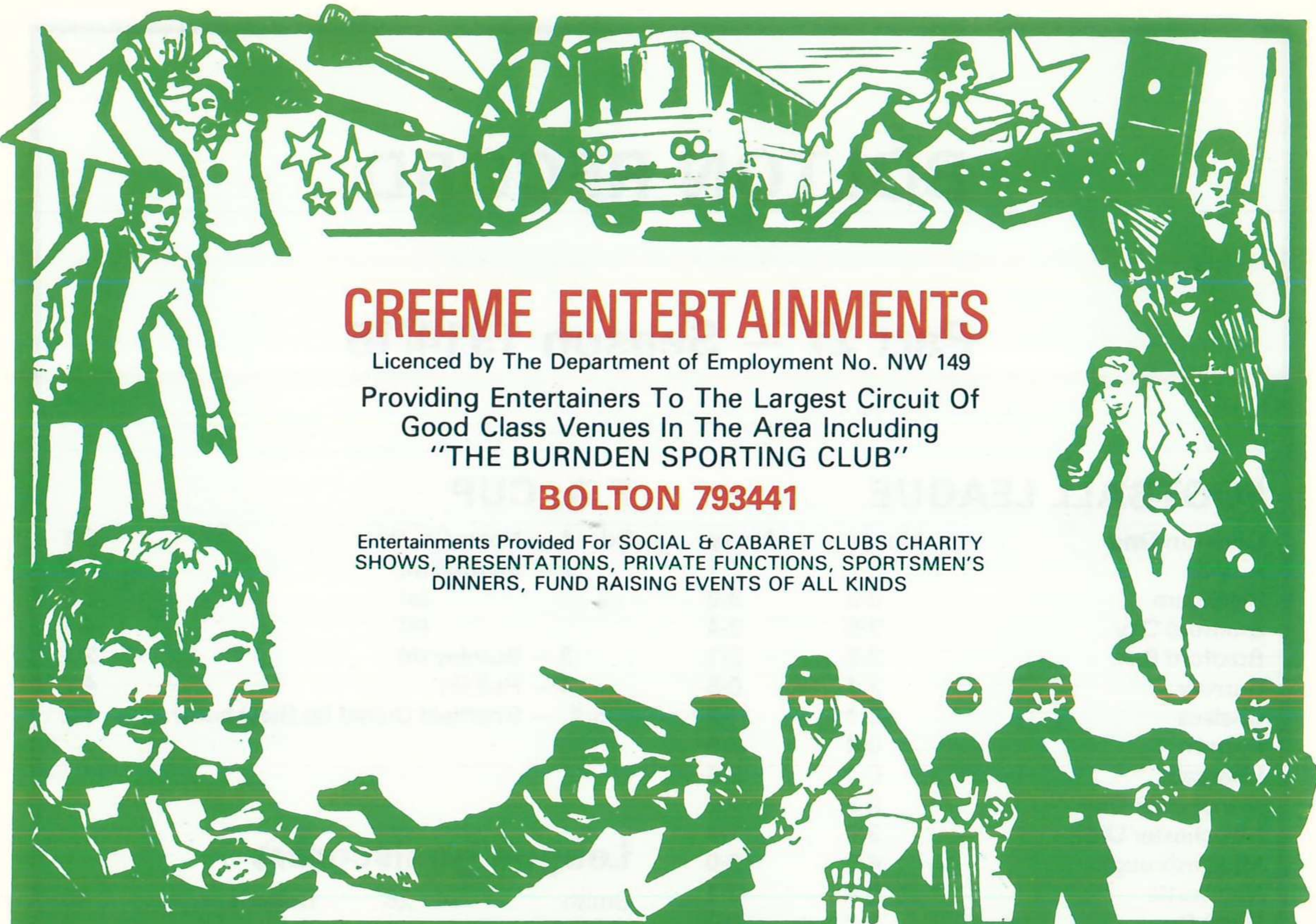
FOOTBALL LEAGUE

appearances:

Baverstock, H.	27	Buchan, T.M.	3
Donaldson, A.	15	Edmondson, J.	13
Fay, J.	22	Feebury, J.H.	16
Glendenning, R.	28	Heslop, T.W.	1
Hilton, H.	10	Jennings, W.	24
Jones, E.	21	Kidd, J.	9
Lillicrop, G.	15	Roberts, F.	28
Rowley, W.	29	Seddon, J.	6
Sidlow, E.	13	Smith, J.	38
Stokes, D.	21	Thomas, J.	10
Toone, P.E.S.	3	Vizard, E.T.	38
Wallace, W.	2	Wilson, G.	26

DIVISION 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Everton	38	19	8	11	76	47	46
Oldham Athletic	38	17	11	10	70	56	45
Blackburn Rovers	38	18	7	13	83	61	43
Burnley	38	18	7	13	61	47	43
Manchester C.	38	15	13	10	49	39	43
Sheffield United	38	15	13	10	49	41	43
Sheffield Wed.	38	15	13	10	61	54	43
Sunderland	38	18	5	15	81	72	41
Bradford P.A.	38	17	7	14	69	65	41
Bradford C.	38	13	14	11	55	49	40
W.B.A.	38	15	10	13	49	43	40
Middlesbrough	38	13	12	13	62	74	38
Aston Villa	38	13	11	14	62	72	37
Liverpool	38	14	9	15	65	75	37
Newcastle United	38	11	10	17	46	48	32
Notts County	38	9	13	16	41	57	31
Bolton Wand'rs	38	11	8	19	68	84	30
Manchester Utd.	38	9	12	17	46	62	30
Chelsea	38	8	13	17	51	65	29
Tottenham H.	38	8	12	18	57	90	28



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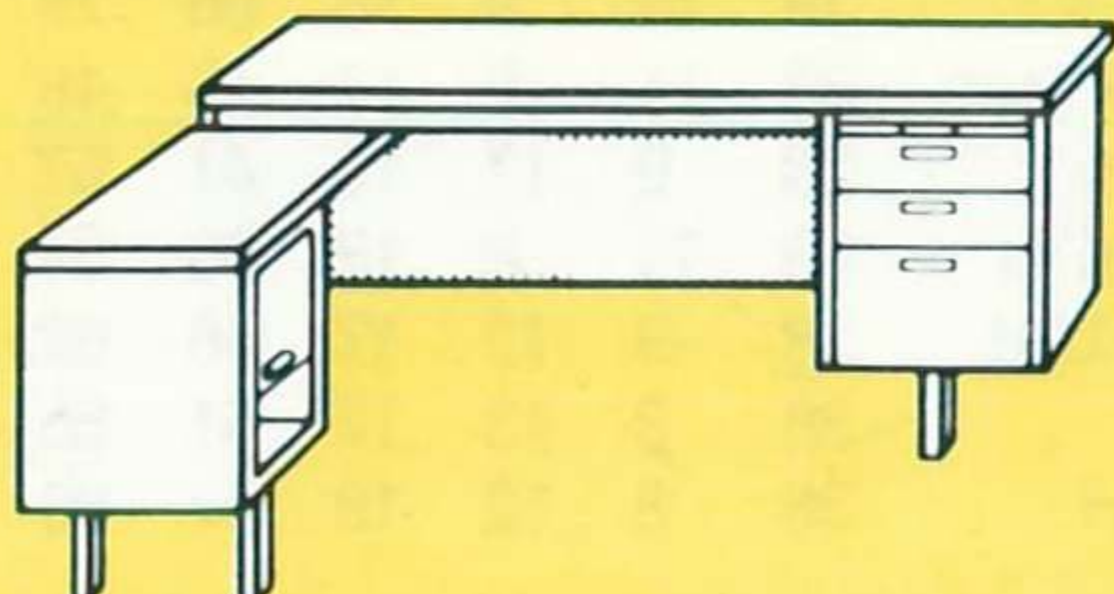
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A



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- A. Neil Whatmore tries a header at the Shrewsbury goal.
- B. Brian Kidd's flying header just went over the bar.
- C. Len Cantello in action.
- D. Brian Kidd shoots over the bar.

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B



C



D



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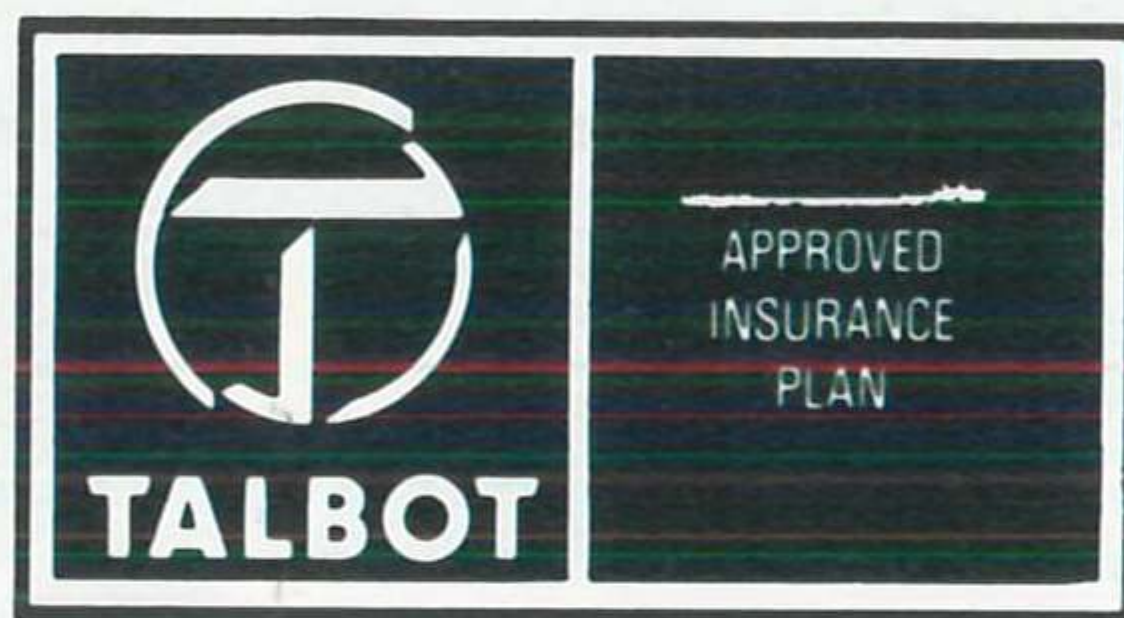
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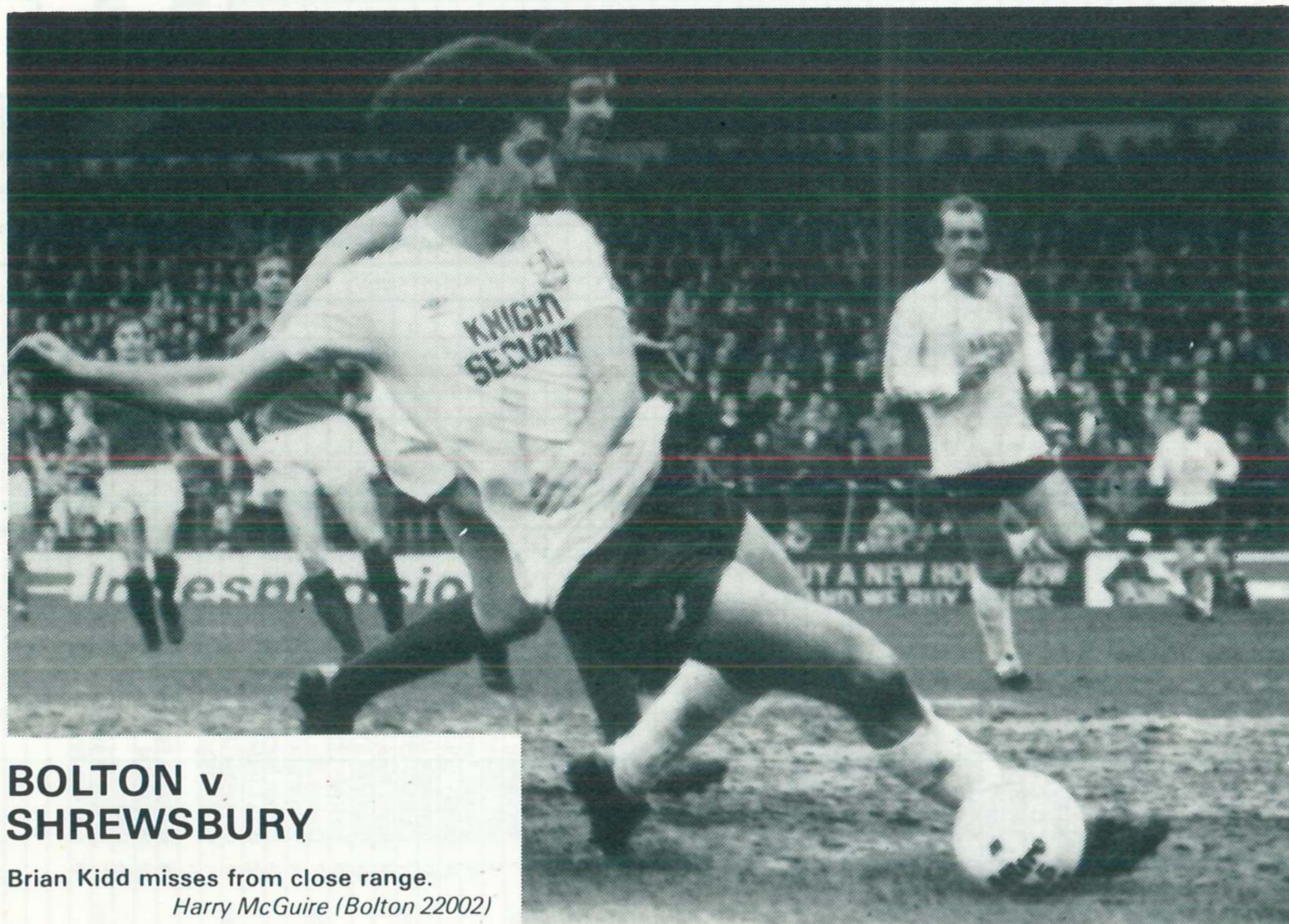
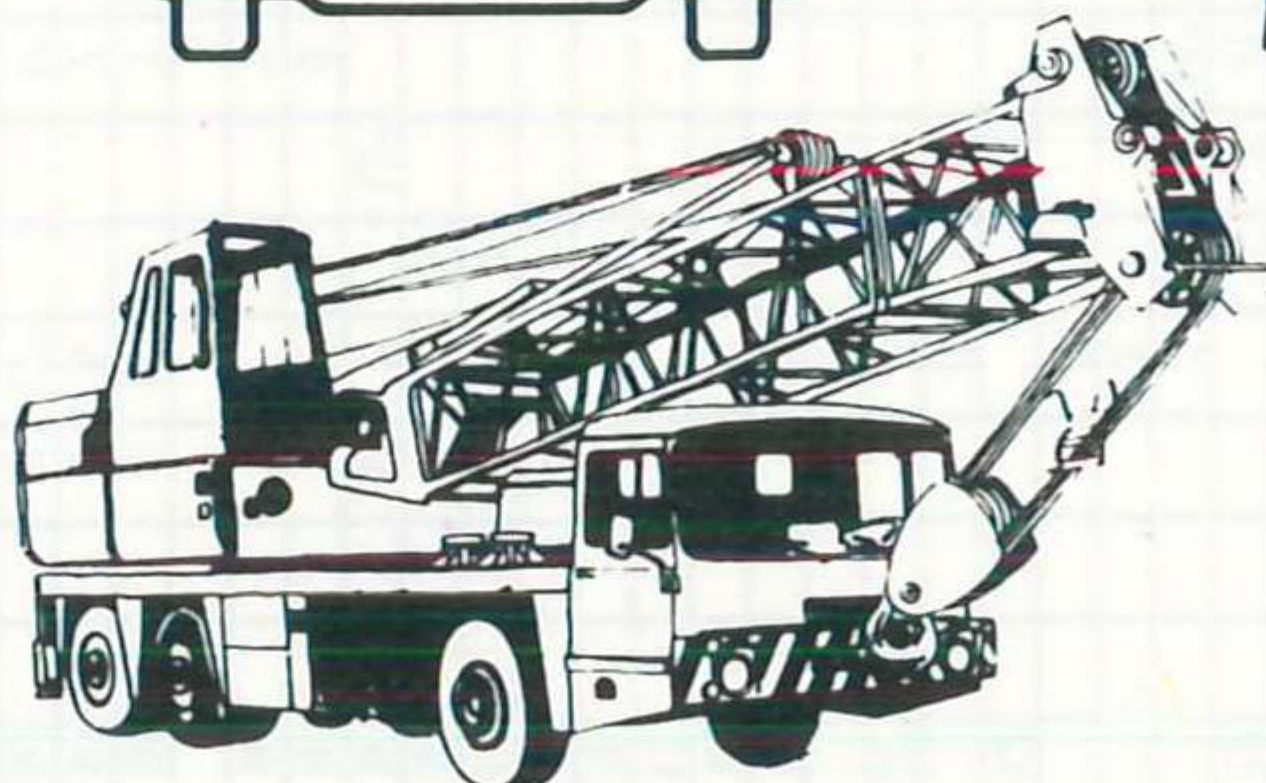
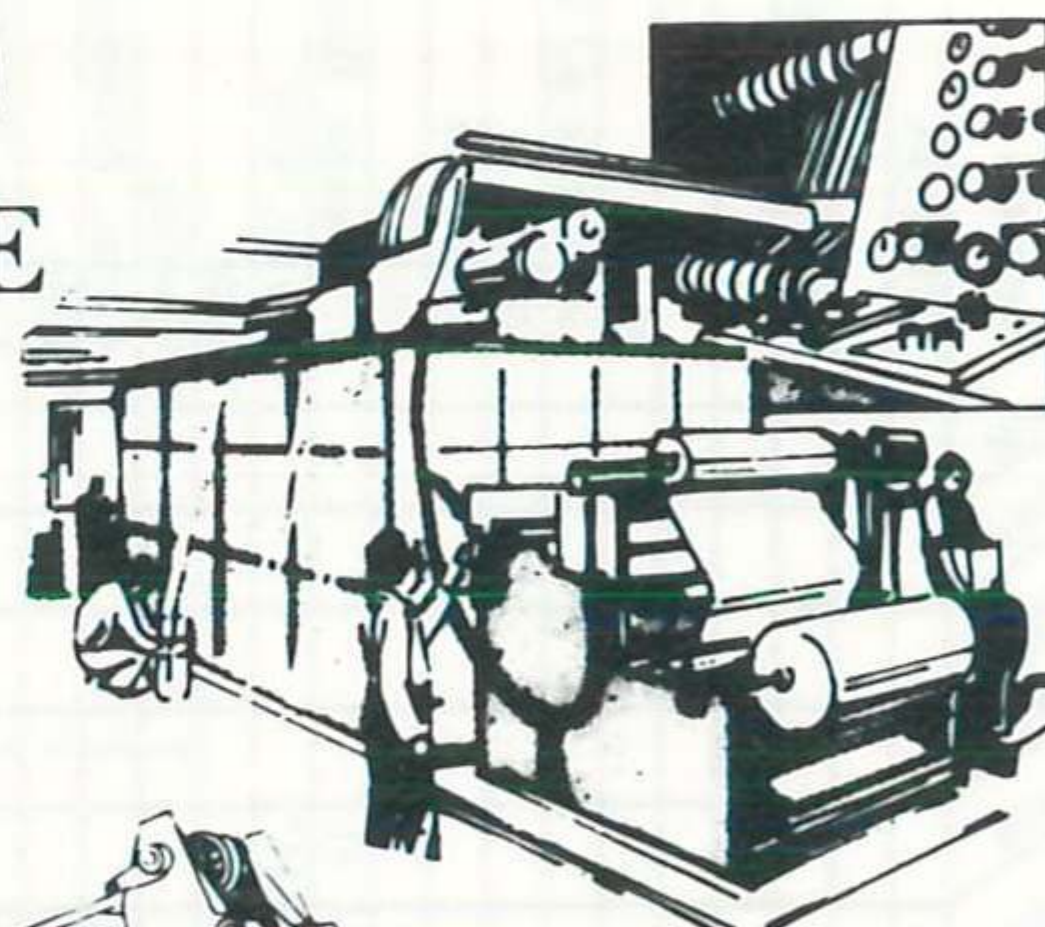
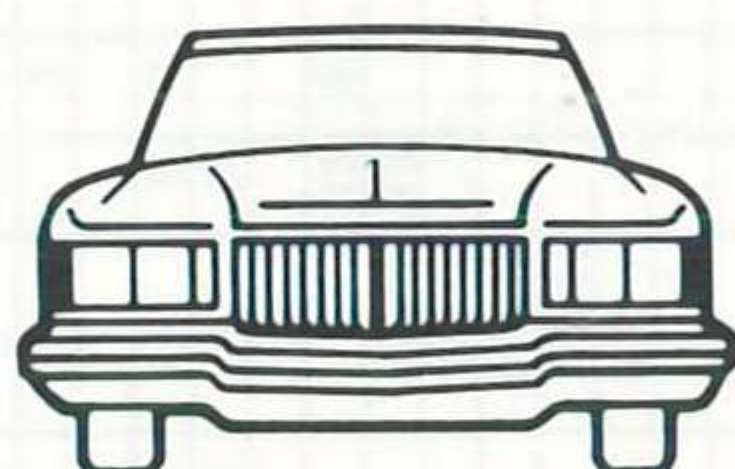
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**BOLTON v
SHREWSBURY**

Brian Kidd misses from close range.
Harry McGuire (Bolton 22002)

Facts & Figures 1980-81

HOME GAMES
IN CAPITALS

*Denotes
Sub used

	FA	Attn	Peacock	Graham	Burke	Wilson	Jones	Walsh	Gowling	Whatmore	Carter	Kidd	Cantello	Bennett	Hoggan	Nowak	Clement	McElhinney	Nicholson	Pool	Thompson	Nikolic	Reid	Moore	Thomas	Brennan	Scorers
Aug. 16	Notts County	7,459	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12													Whatmore
19	SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY	15,926	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12													Kidd(3) Whatmore
23	NEWCASTLE	11,835	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11		12												
26	L.C. CRYSTAL PALACE	9,913	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		11	12												
30	Derby County	17,378	1		3		5	6	7	8	9	10	4	11	12		2										Kidd
Sept. 2	L.C. Crystal Palace	15,536	1	3		5	6	7	8	9	10	4	11	12		2											Griffiths (o.g.) Gowling (pen)
6	BRISTOL ROVERS	8,712	1	3	12	5	6	7	8	9	10	4	11	12		2	5										Walsh
13	Cardiff	6,532	1	3	12	5	6	7	8	9	10	4	11	12		2											Whatmore
20	SWANSEA	9,419	1	3	9		6	5	8		10	4	11	7	3												Cantello
27	Oldham	10,174		2	3	12	5	6	9	8		10	4	11							1	7					Thompson, Gowling
Oct. 4	CHELSEA	11,888		2	3		5	6	9	8		10	4	12							1	7	11				Carter, Kidd
7	Shrewsbury Town	5,077	12	3	7	5	6	9		8	10	4									2	1	11				Kidd
11	Queens Park Rangers	8,641		3	7	5	6	9	8	11	10	4	12								2	1					Gowling
18	BRISTOL CITY	8,988		2	11		5	6	9	12	8	10	4								3	1					Carter, Whatmore
21	PRESTON NORTH END	10,713	2	3		5	6	11	8	9	10	4		12							1						Kidd
25	West Ham United	25,277	2	3		5	6	11	8	9	10	4									12	1					Kidd (3), Whatmore,
Nov. 1	CAMBRIDGE UNITED	8,016		3		5	6	11	8	9	10	4	12								2	1					Hoggan, Cantello
8	Watford	11,296		3		5	5	11	8		10	4	12	9							2	1					Hoggan
11	Sheffield Wednesday	16,262	2	3	12	5	6	11	8		10			9							1	4					
22	GRIMSBY TOWN (1)	9,031	2	3		5	6	4	8	9	10		11										7	12			Hoggan
25	NOTTS COUNTY	7,344	2		4	5	6	11	8		10		12	9			3				1						Wilson (2), Kidd
29	Luton Town	8,300	2		4	5	6	11	8		10		12	9			3				3	7	1				Whatmore (2)
Dec. 6	ORIENT	8,228	2		4	5	6	11	8		10			9			3				3	7	1				Whatmore, Kidd (2)
13	Bristol City (2)	7,384	2		4	5		11	8		10			9			3				3	7	1				Gowling (pen)
19	QUEENS PARK RANGERS	6,315	2	3	4	5		11	8		10			9			6				7	1	12				Gowling
26	Wrexham	7,635	2		4			11	8		10		6	9			3				3	7	1				Whatmore
27	BLACKBURN ROVERS	18,184	1	2	4			11			12	10	6	9			3						7				Hoggan
1981																											
Jan. 3	Nottingham Forest (FAC3)	22,520	1	2		4	5		11	8		10			9												Hoggan(2), Whatmore
6	NOTTINGHAM F. (FAC3R)	22,799	1	2		4			11	8		10			9												
10	Grimsby Town	9,320	1	2		4			5		10		11	9			3						7				
24	DERBY COUNTY	9,937	1	2		4	5		11		10			9			3										Gowling(2), Thomas
31	Newcastle United	19,108	1	2		4	5			8		10			9												Bennett
Feb. 7	CARDIFF CITY	8,115	1	2		4	5		11			10			9												Thomas (2), Wilson, Nikolic
14	Bristol Rovers (5)	5,368		2		12	5		11	8			10	9			3										Gowling
24	OLDHAM ATHLETIC	9,641	1	2	4	12	5		11	8			4	9			3										Whatmore, Thomas
28	Swansea City	9,468	2	4			5		11	8					9												
Mar. 7	Chelsea (6)	12,948	2					5	11	8		10	4	12			3										
14	SHREWSBURY T. (LCF)	7,900	2	3				5	11	8		10	4	12			6										
24	Preston North End	8,505					5	3	11	8		12	6	10													Reid, Gowling
28	WEST HAM UNITED																										
Apr. 4	Cambridge United																										
11	WATFORD (SF)																										
17																											
18	Blackburn Rovers																										
20	WREXHAM																										
25	Orient																										
May 2	LUTON TOWN																										
9	F.A. Cup Final																										

BURNDEN DATES

LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

WATFORD

SATURDAY 11th APRIL 1981

KICK-OFF 3.00 p.m.

LEAGUE DIVISION TWO
(Up to and including Tuesday 24th March 1981)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Goals	Pts
West Ham United	34	16	1	1	47	12	6	7	3	17	15	52	
Notts County	34	9	6	2	22	12	6	7	4	17	20	43	
Blackburn Rovers	34	10	6	1	24	7	3	8	6	13	20	40	
Grimsby Town	34	9	7	1	19	4	4	6	7	19	24	39	
Chelsea	35	8	6	4	27	10	6	4	7	19	22	38	
Sheffield Wednesday	33	12	4	1	30	9	3	4	9	13	25	38	
Swansea City	33	10	3	4	31	16	3	8	5	18	21	37	
Luton Town	33	8	5	4	30	21	6	4	6	18	18	37	
Derby County	34	7	7	2	28	21	5	6	7	21	25	37	
Cambridge United	34	12	1	5	28	17	4	4	8	15	29	37	
Queens Park Rangers	34	9	6	3	30	12	4	4	8	16	20	36	
Watford	34	11	4	3	30	17	1	5	10	11	22	33	
Newcastle United	34	8	5	3	15	10	3	6	9	8	27	33	
Orient	34	7	6	3	25	15	4	4	10	16	28	32	
Bolton Wanderers	35	9	3	5	36	21	3	3	12	16	35	30	
Wrexham	33	3	6	6	13	19	7	4	7	19	18	30	
Shrewsbury Town	35	7	6	5	27	19	1	7	9	7	20	29	
Oldham Athletic	35	5	8	4	15	13	3	5	10	16	30	29	
Cardiff City	35	7	4	5	18	16	3	4	11	18	35	28	
Preston North End	34	7	6	4	24	20	1	6	10	8	32	28	
Bristol City	35	5	8	5	15	13	0	6	11	7	30	24	
Bristol Rovers	35	3	8	6	17	20	1	4	13	12	35	20	

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TODAYS REFEREE

HEATH, MALCOLM J. (Stoke).
Commenced refereeing in 1968 and progressed to Football League via Northern Premier League. Has refereed the Staffordshire Senior Cup Final (1977), Reserve Official F.A. Vase Final (1976) and lined Semi-Professional Tournament Final (1979) and F.A. Cup Semi-Final (1980).

A married man, with two boys, he is Senior Manager of Doulton (Sanitaryware) Ltd. He is keen on gardening, cricket and table tennis.

CENTRAL LEAGUE

1980-81	CENTRAL LEAGUE	F	A
Aug.	SHEFFIELD WED. Manchester United	1	2
	Manchester United	1	2
Sept.	Coventry City	1	3
	Manchester City	1	6
	Bury	1	0
Oct.	NOTTINGHAM F. Liverpool	0	3
	LEEDS UNITED	2	2
	WEST BROM A.	1	0
	STOKE CITY	1	1
	Preston N.E.	0	4
	HUDDERSFIELD T. Blackpool	1	4
	BLACKBURN UNITED	0	3
Nov.	MANCHESTER UNITED Burnley	3	0
	Sheffield W.	2	3
	Aston Villa	3	3
	Derby County	1	5
	WOLVERHAMPTON W.	P	
Dec.	Sheffield United	0	2
	NEWCASTLE UNITED	0	2
	BLACKPOOL	1	1
	Derby County	1	0
	Leeds United	0	5
	DERBY COUNTY	2	4
	Everton	1	0
1981 Jan.	EVERTON	0	3
	ASTON VILLA	0	3
	Blackburn Rovers	2	1
	Stoke City	0	1
Feb.	MANCHESTER CITY	0	0
	COVENTRY CITY	2	0
	BURY	0	3
Mar.	West Bromwich A.	2	2
	PRESTON N.E.	0	1
	Huddersfield Town	0	0
Apr.	LIVERPOOL	2	2
	SHEFFIELD UNITED	0	0
	Nottingham Forest	0	1
	Burnley	1	1
May	BLACKBURN ROVERS	2	2
	Newcastle United	25	29
	Wolverhampton W.	2	

FACTS & FIGURES

TEAM CHECK

Bolton Wanderers

- 1 Terry Poole
- 2 Peter Nicholson
- 3 Mike Walsh
- 4 Peter Reid
- 5 Paul Jones
- 6 Len Cantello
- 7 Dusan Nikolic
- 8 Neil Whatmore
- 9 John Thomas
- 10 Dave Hoggan
- 11 Alan Gowling
- 12



- 1 Phil Parkes
- 2 Ray Stewart
- 3 Frank Lampard
- 4 Billy Bonds
- 5 Alvin Martin
- 6 Alan Devonshire
- 7 Jimmy Neighbour
- 8 Paul Goddard
- 9 David Cross
- 10 Trevor Brooking
- 11 Geoff Pike
- 12

West Ham United

Referee:

M. J. Heath (Stoke-on-Trent)

Linesmen:

K. J. Breen (Liverpool) (Red Flag)

I. A. Hendrick (Preston) (Yellow Flag)

HALF TIME SCOREBOARD

A	ARSENAL LIVERPOOL			
B	ASTON VILLA SOUTHAMPTON			
C	COVENTRY CITY TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR			
D	CRYSTAL PALACE LEEDS UNITED			
E	EVERTON MANCHESTER UNITED			
F	IPSWICH TOWN SUNDERLAND			
G	MANCHESTER CITY BRIGHTON & HOVE ALBION			
H	MIDDLESBROUGH WEST BROMWICH ALBION			
I	NOTTINGHAM FOREST NORWICH CITY			
J	STOKE CITY BIRMINGHAM CITY			
K	WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS LEICESTER CITY			
L				
M	BLACKBURN ROVERS NOTTS COUNTY			
N	BRISTOL ROVERS PRESTON NORTH END			
O	CARDIFF CITY SHREWSBURY TOWN			
P	DERBY COUNTY BRISTOL CITY			
Q	GRIMSBY TOWN SWANSEA CITY			
R	LUTON TOWN CAMBRIDGE UNITED			
S	NEWCASTLE UNITED CHELSEA			
T	OLDHAM ATHLETIC WATFORD			
U	ORIENT SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY			
V	WREXHAM QUEENS PARK RANGERS			
W	BARNSELY BURNLEY			
X	BRADFORD CITY BURY			



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